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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: INSPECTION REPORT ON GREECE

EYES ONLY FOR THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

1. I REALIZE FULLY THE EXPERIMENTAL NATURE OF EMBASSY ATHENS' RECENT INSPECTION WAS DESIGNED TO IMPROVE FURTHER THIS MOST IMPORTANT FACET OF ADMINISTRATION OF OUR FOREIGN SERVICE. I FULLY AND WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THESE EFFORTS. IT IS IN THIS SPIRIT THAT I WISH TO INFORM YOU I AM FRANKLY DISAPPOINTED IN THE CLASSIFIED PORTIONS OF THE INSPECTION REPORT ON GREECE DATED MAY 1974. THE POLICY ANALYSIS SEEMS TO US TO BE INADEQUATE AND THE ENTIRE SECTION ON THE PROCESS OF POLICY EXECUTION INCOMPLETE AND INACCURATE IN SEVERAL ESSENTIAL RESPECTS. I DEEPLY REGRET THAT THE INSPECTION TOOK PLACE DURING MY UNAVOIDABLE ABSENCE IN WASHINGTON TO TESTIFY BEFORE MEMBERS OF THE CONGRESS ON GREECE. ONE POINT WHICH CLEARLY EMERGES IS THE LACK OF UNDERSTANDING ON HOW THE FRONT OFFICE MANAGES THE EMBASSY AND COUNTRY TEAM THROUGH VARIOUS TECHNIQUES INCLUDING A WHOLE SERIES OF STAFF MEETINGS WHICH INVOLVE DAILY CONSULTATION AND DISCUSSION AMONG THE AMBASSADOR AND HIS SENIOR ADVISERS.

2. INCIDENTALLY, I AM INFORMED BY THE CHARGE THAT THE SUBSTANCE OF THE CLASSIFIED REPORT WAS NOT DISCUSSED WITH HIM. I WONDER IF THIS MEANS A CHANGE IN THE PREVIOUS POLICY IN THIS RESPECT. DETAILED COMMENTS ON BOTH THE CLASSIFIED AND UNCLASSIFIED PORTIONS OF THE

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